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## December Newsletter

Dear Parents,

As the autumn term ends, I would like to say how proud we are of all the children at Scotts.

Over the last couple of weeks the children have taken part in the St Andrews Carol Concert and the Infant Nativity plays and I am sure you would agree with me that they have performed brilliantly and have shown great confidence, whether this has been singing, reading, acting or playing a musical instrument. I would like to thank those parents who have supported these events as I appreciate that this is a busy time of year! A thank you too for the generous donations received this term: a total of £301.54 was collected in support of Muscle Up for Lucas and Little Havens Hospice charities. Two of our Year 6 pupils, Charlotte and Amy made Christmas cards and sold these at the end of the performances, raising an additional £27, so thank you girls for all your hard work.

### Scotts Choir

A big well done to the choir who sang at the Royal Albert Hall a couple of weeks ago. The children spent a long day rehearsing at the Hall, and then sang along with other schools to a packed audience.

The choir also performed at Romford shopping centre last week raising £362.76 for Muscle up for Lucas. I know that the children not only enjoyed this event but, in their own words felt that they had "really made a difference" that day. Thank you to Miss Perry and Mrs Jones for organising these events and thank you to those parents that went along and supported the children too.

### Christmas Fayre

The Christmas Fayre was a huge success again this year. Nearly £2,500 was raised for the school, which was a slight increase on last year's amount which in this current financial climate is excellent. A big thank you to Mrs Rogers, Mrs Quarrell and the rest of FOSA who worked so hard in organising and running the event and thank you to those parents that helped with the making up of the hampers and manning the stalls on the day. I think you would agree that the different elements of the event contributed to its success: The wonderful Father Christmas sleigh was made by Blake's Grandfather; the reindeers had flown in from Lapland especially for the fayre, and even Frozen's Elsa and Anna turned up for the event. I know the children and everyone else who attended the Fayre had a wonderful time.

### Poppy Appeal

The school raised £296.92 for the Royal British Legion, so thank you again both children and parents for all your support

### Save the Children Day

The Christmas jumper day raised £217.80 in aid of Save the Children. The children looked very festive last Friday so thank you to parents for supporting this good cause.

### FOSA

Also, I am sure the children would like to say a big thank you to FOSA for organising and funding this term's infant entertainer and junior disco. I know that all the children had a thoroughly good time.

Please note that TUESDAY 3RD JANUARY is an INSET day and the children return to school on WEDNESDAY 4TH JANUARY.

The staff and I would like to thank you for your continued support this term, and for all your Christmas wishes, cards and gifts. We hope that you have a wonderful Christmas and a very Happy New Year and we look forward to seeing you at the start of 2017!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Taylor  
(Head Teacher)

